LIVE SPENT HEAVY FOWL

Prices are trending steady. Supplies are sufficient for the light to moderate demand. Processing schedules are noted as normal. Retail feature activity is light entering the holiday weekend with most of the interest being in the South Central Regions. Finished product supplies are adequate. Market activity is moderate.

Final Prices at Farm Buyer Loading: Price Range Wtd Avg
Prices in cents per pound. 8.5 - 19.5 13.45

(Southeast Region broiler breeder hens generally for processing, 7 lbs. and up; under 7 lbs. subject to discount.)

LIVE SPENT LIGHT FOWL

Prices are trending steady for the light demand. Offerings of light type hens are moderate for current needs. Processing schedules are normal. Market activity is slow to moderate. The majority price for removal costs remains unchanged at 0-7 cents per head.

(live hens are predominately egg-layers averaging about 3.5 lbs. live weight per bird.) Eastern region = AL, CT, DE, GA, KY, MA, MD, ME, MS, NC, NH, NJ, NY, PA, RI, SC, TN, VA, VT, and WV; North Central = IA, IL, IN, MI, MN, ND, NE, OH, SD, WI; South Central = AR, CO, KS, LA, MO, NM, OK, TX.

READY-TO-COOK FOWL

Midwest Region Negotiated Prices to First Receivers

(cents/lb.delivered to first receivers; US Grade A and Plant Grade)

Price Range

lce Packed (12/box): 80.0 - 86.0 Vacuum Packed (6-9/box): 85.0 - 90.0

Midwest region = IL, IN, MI, MO, OH, and WI

LIVE FOWL AUCTIONS

Hackettstown, NJ - Tue May. 22

		Price Range	Avg.
Heavy Fowl	each:	3.00 - 4.25	3.03
	per pound:	1.80	

Graystone Small Animal, Manheim, PA - Tue May. 22

Red Fowl 5-6 lbs: 0.75 - 0.90 per pound

4-5 lbs: 0.60 - 0.80 per pound

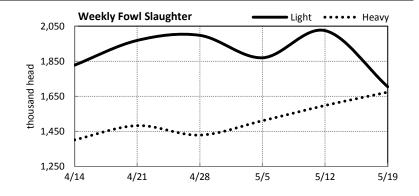
Crossbred Fowl 5-9 lbs: 0.85 - 0.90 per pound

LIVE FOWL SLAUGHTER

Weekly Fowl Slaughtered Under Federal Inspection Week ending 05-19-12

	Head Av	∕g Wt	RTC Wt	Dress%
Light Hens:	1,705	3.17	2,919	54%
Heavy Hens:	1,674	7.61	8,280	65%
Total Hens:	3,379	5.37	11,199	

(head and ready-to-cook weight in thousands; avg. wght in lbs.)



RETAIL FOWL FEATURING

Supermarket featuring during the week of 05/25 to 05/31

Light Hens		lens Heavy He		/ Hens
Stores	Wtd Avg		Stores	Wtd Avg
66	0.98		6	1.19
28	0.97			
38	0.99			
			6	1.19
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^{1/ %&#}x27;s reflect feature activity relative to the sample size of each region.

